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SHORT COMMUNICATION

Terellia vectensis (Collin) and Urophora spoliata (Hal.) (Diptera: Tephritidae) reared from dead seed-heads of saw-wort in Cornwall.—I first reported Urophora spoliata from the Boscastle area of E. Cornwall in 1989 (Alexander, 1991) and, when confirming my identification, Ian White commented that "it would be nice if somebody could at least find out what kind of gall it forms". I was in the Boscastle area again during May 1990 and took the opportunity to collect some dead seed-heads of Serratula tinctoria L. in the hope of rearing further U. spoliata. The seed-heads languished in a container for some time afterwards, but, eventual re-examination revealed two dead flies: one each of U. spoliata and Terellia vectensis—the latter new to Cornwall!

The collection site lies to the south-west of the previously reported Pentargon Cliff locality, on the north-west-facing slopes between Boscastle Harbour and Forrabury Common (SX 094913). The grassland here has remained ungrazed for many years and is fairly rank as a result. *Serratula* is abundant.

White (1988) gives the distribution of *T. vectensis* as Hampshire, the Isle of Wight, and South Wales. Falk (1991) adds Dorset, and Stubbs (1992) Wiltshire.

Ian White has now examined the gall formed by *U. spoliata* and comments that it appears to be formed rather like those of *U. quadrifasciata* (Meig.), i.e. as lignified achene walls rather than from receptacle tissue, as is the norm for most *Urophora* spp. of known biology. A gall has been passed to the Natural History Museum collection.

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